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PROCEEDINGS

TWENTY-EIGHTH DAY

(Tuesday, March 19, 2013)

The Senate met at 11:21 a.m. pursuant to adjournment and was called to order by the President.

The roll was called and the following Senators were present: Birdwell, Campbell, Carona, Davis, Deuell, Duncan, Ellis, Eltife, Estes, Fraser, Garcia, Hancock, Hegar, Hinojosa, Huffman, Lucio, Nelson, Nichols, Patrick, Paxton, Rodríguez, Schwertner, Seliger, Taylor, Uresti, Van de Putte, Watson, West, Whitmire, Williams, Zaffirini.

The President announced that a quorum of the Senate was present.

Pastor Don Anderson, Alvin Church of Christ, Alvin, was introduced by Senator Taylor and offered the invocation as follows:

Father God, You alone are God. I humbly bow before Your throne and seek Your blessing for the men and women who make up this class of Texas Senators. Father, You tell us that when two or more are gathered together, there You will be also. So, I thank You for being a part of this moment and hearing my prayer. Father, what a blessing it is to live within a country and state where we freely and peacefully self-govern the land we live in as a nation, state, county, and city. We are blessed beyond our imagination to be able to freely share in the exchange of ideas, thoughts, and opinions in order to make this state a better place for all to live. Father, the men and women who comprise this Senate carry upon their shoulders a weight beyond what any of us could imagine. Yet the real burden that rests upon them is not restricted to the business that they debate on this floor, although that is significant, but it is found in the heaviness of the responsibility to represent and be the voice of those citizens who have elected them to their respective positions from all across the state. From the Panhandle in the north to the Sabine River in the east, from the magnificent sunsets of the western desert mountains down through the mighty Rio Grande Valley, from the Gulf Coast back up across the breathtaking Hill Country and in every corner of this great state, citizens are relying upon these men and women to speak and take appropriate legislative action in the best interest of their communities. And while everyone can have their say, not everyone can have their way, and that makes it tough in a world where winning is regarded as such a premium. I pray that You will give them peace in doing their jobs. May

You grant them wisdom beyond their measure. May You give them patience and discernment. May You give them the words to speak and the ears to hear, that all things might be considered that must be considered in order to make the best decisions for the State of Texas as a whole. And may the decisions that are made today, this week, and in the weeks to come be such that not only will benefit the current residents of this state but that those who are yet to call Texas their home will be blessed as well. Father, today I ask that the words of the Apostle Paul be a beacon of light for the Members of this Senate. It's not about who is the oldest or loudest. It's not about who speaks with elegance or the most passion nor has the most seniority. It's about putting the interest of others before themselves. May You gift this great body with such wisdom and devotion. Father, I thank You for this day, and I ask You to bless it abundantly. May the proceedings that come before this Senate Chamber be handled with honor, dignity, and selflessness. May You bestow these gifted and great servants with respect for each other and an awareness of those they represent. For I pray this blessing upon this Senate of the State of Texas, and I ask it in the name of my lord and savior, Jesus Christ. Amen.

Senator Whitmire moved that the reading of the Journal of the proceedings of the previous day be dispensed with and the Journal be approved as printed.

The motion prevailed without objection.

PHYSICIAN OF THE DAY

Senator Huffman was recognized and presented Dr. Nick Giannone of Lake Jackson as the Physician of the Day.

The Senate welcomed Dr. Giannone and thanked him for his participation in the Physician of the Day program sponsored by the Texas Academy of Family Physicians.

RESOLUTION SIGNED

The President announced the signing of the following enrolled resolution in the presence of the Senate: **SCR 29**.

SENATE RESOLUTION 474

Senator Hancock offered the following resolution:

SR 474, Commending the Texas Rangers baseball club for its 2012 season.

The resolution was again read.

The resolution was previously adopted on Monday, March 18, 2013.

GUESTS PRESENTED

Senator Hancock was recognized and introduced to the Senate a Texas Rangers delegation, accompanied by Rick George, President of Business Operations; and Kellie Fischer, CFO.

The Senate welcomed its guests.

SENATE RESOLUTION 459

Senator Huffman offered the following resolution:

SR 459, Recognizing *The Facts* newspaper on the occasion of its 100th anniversary.

The resolution was read and was adopted without objection.

GUESTS PRESENTED

Senator Huffman was recognized and introduced to the Senate staff members of *The Facts* newspaper of Brazoria County.

The Senate welcomed its guests.

GUESTS PRESENTED

Senator Schwertner was recognized and introduced to the Senate members of United Way of Williamson County.

The Senate welcomed its guests.

SENATE RESOLUTION 469

Senator Taylor offered the following resolution:

SR 469, Welcoming the delegation from the Johnson Space Center on the occasion of NASA Space Day at the State Capitol.

The resolution was read and was adopted without objection.

GUESTS PRESENTED

Senator Taylor was recognized and introduced to the Senate a Johnson Space Center delegation, accompanied by Ellen Ochoa, Director; Mike Kincaid, Director, External Relations; Bob Mitchell, President, Bay Area Houston Economic Partnership; Peggy Whitson, NASA Astronaut; and Darius Sanders, Texas Aerospace Scholars alumnus.

The Senate welcomed its guests.

GUESTS PRESENTED

Senator Hegar was recognized and introduced to the Senate a Wharton County delegation.

The Senate welcomed its guests.

SENATE RESOLUTION 472

Senator Uresti offered the following resolution:

SR 472, In memory of Raymond Paul Harle.

On motion of Senator Uresti, the resolution was read and was adopted by a rising vote of the Senate.

In honor of the memory of Raymond Paul Harle, the text of the resolution is printed at the end of today's *Senate Journal*.

Senator Uresti was recognized and introduced to the Senate family members of Raymond Paul Harle: Dorothy Harle, Sid Harle, and Brian Harle.

The Senate welcomed its guests and extended its sympathy.

SENATE RESOLUTION 260

Senator West offered the following resolution:

SR 260, Recognizing Saint Luke "Community" United Methodist Church of Dallas on the occasion of its 80th anniversary.

The resolution was read and was adopted without objection.

GUESTS PRESENTED

Senator West was recognized and introduced to the Senate members of Saint Luke "Community" United Methodist Church, accompanied by the Reverend Dr. Henry Masters, Sr., Pastor S. Dianna Masters, Geraldine Weatherall, Clara B. Johnson, and Carrie J. Marshall.

The Senate welcomed its guests.

SENATE RESOLUTION 86

Senator Huffman offered the following resolution:

SR 86, Recognizing March 19, 2013, as Brazoria County Day at the State Capitol.

The resolution was read and was adopted without objection.

GUESTS PRESENTED

Senator Huffman was recognized and introduced to the Senate a Brazoria County delegation.

The Senate welcomed its guests.

SENATE RESOLUTION 484

Senator Birdwell offered the following resolution:

SR 484, Recognizing the members of the Burleson Area Chamber of Commerce.

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The resolution was read and was adopted without objection.

GUESTS PRESENTED

Senator Birdwell, joined by Senator Davis, was recognized and introduced to the Senate a Burleson Area Chamber of Commerce delegation, accompanied by Justin Bond, Burleson Economic Development Manager; Sherri Sechrist, President; Lisa Keese, Vice-chair-elect; and Kenny Howell, Johnson County Commissioner.

The Senate welcomed its guests.

SENATE RESOLUTION 487

Senator Zaffirini offered the following resolution:

SR 487, Commending Linda Jo G. Soliz on her service to her community.

The resolution was read and was adopted without objection.

GUESTS PRESENTED

Senator Zaffirini was recognized and introduced to the Senate Linda Jo G. Soliz, Jim Hogg County Commissioner; Robert M. Soliz; Jo Ann Soliz Stacy; Steven Canales; and Juan Carlos Guerra, Hebbbronville Chamber of Commerce Board of Directors President.

The Senate welcomed its guests.

SENATE RESOLUTION 486

Senator Zaffirini offered the following resolution:

SR 486, Recognizing the 100th anniversary of Jim Hogg County.

The resolution was read and was adopted without objection.

GUESTS PRESENTED

Senator Zaffirini was recognized and introduced to the Senate a Jim Hogg County delegation, accompanied by Sandalio Ruiz, Commissioner; Juan Lino Ramirez, Commissioner; Linda Jo G. Soliz, Commissioner; R. J. Molina, Historical Commission Vice-president; and Juan Carlos Guerra, Hebbbronville Chamber of Commerce Board of Directors President.

The Senate welcomed its guests.

SENATE RESOLUTION 488

Senator Zaffirini offered the following resolution:

SR 488, Recognizing First National Bank of Hebbbronville on the occasion of its 100th anniversary.

The resolution was read and was adopted without objection.

GUESTS PRESENTED

Senator Zaffirini was recognized and introduced to the Senate a First National Bank of Hebbbronville delegation, accompanied by Israel Hinojosa, President and CEO; and Board of Directors members Robert Fulbright, Chair; Mario Martinez; Bill Hellen; and Bryan Gonzalez, Jr.

The Senate welcomed its guests.

**INTRODUCTION OF
BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS POSTPONED**

The President announced that the introduction of bills and resolutions on first reading would be postponed until the end of today's session.

There was no objection.

CONCLUSION OF MORNING CALL

The President at 12:10 p.m. announced the conclusion of morning call.

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 13 ON SECOND READING

Senator Eltife moved to suspend the regular order of business to take up for consideration **SJR 13** at this time on its second reading:

SJR 13, Proposing a constitutional amendment limiting to two the number of consecutive terms for which a person may be elected or appointed to hold certain state offices.

The motion prevailed by the following vote: Yeas 27, Nays 4.

Yeas: Campbell, Carona, Davis, Deuell, Duncan, Ellis, Eltife, Fraser, Garcia, Hancock, Hinojosa, Huffman, Lucio, Nelson, Nichols, Patrick, Paxton, Rodríguez, Schwertner, Seliger, Taylor, Uresti, Van de Putte, Watson, West, Whitmire, Zaffirini.

Nays: Birdwell, Estes, Hegar, Williams.

The resolution was read second time.

Senator Estes offered the following amendment to the resolution:

Floor Amendment No. 1

Amend **SJR 13** (senate committee report) as follows:

(1) Add the following appropriately numbered SECTION to the resolution and renumber subsequent SECTIONS accordingly:

SECTION ____ . Article V, Texas Constitution, is amended by adding Section 28a to read as follows:

Sec. 28a. (a) A person who has been elected to serve two consecutive terms as the Chief Justice of the Supreme Court, as a Justice of the Supreme Court, as the Presiding Judge of the Court of Criminal Appeals, as a Judge of the Court of Criminal Appeals, as the Chief Justice of a Court of Appeals, as a Justice of a Court of Appeals, or as a Judge of a District Court is not eligible for election to serve a third consecutive term in the same office to which the Justice or Judge was elected for two consecutive terms. This provision does not limit a person's eligibility for election to serve nonconsecutive terms.

(b) The term of a person appointed or elected to serve for the remainder of a term to fill a vacancy in the office of Chief Justice, Justice, Presiding Judge, or Judge is not counted in determining whether a person is eligible to serve under Subsection (a) of this section.

(2) In SECTION 2 of the resolution, in Subsection (a) of the TEMPORARY PROVISION (page 1, line 45), between "state offices" and the period, insert "or may be elected to serve as a justice or judge of the supreme court, the court of criminal appeals, a court of appeals, or a district court in this state".

(3) In SECTION 2 of the resolution, immediately following Subsection (b) of the TEMPORARY PROVISION (page 1, between lines 48 and 49), insert the following:

(c) Section 28a, Article V, of this constitution applies only to a justice or judge elected on or after January 1, 2014.

(4) In SECTION 2 of the resolution, in proposed Subsection (c) of the TEMPORARY PROVISION (page 1, line 49), strike "(c)" and substitute "(d)".

(5) In SECTION 3 of the resolution, in the ballot proposition (page 1, line 58), between "railroad commissioner" and the period, insert "or may be elected to serve as a justice or judge of the supreme court, the court of criminal appeals, a court of appeals, or a district court in this state".

The amendment to **SJR 13** was read.

POINT OF ORDER

Senator Eltife raised a point of order that Floor Amendment No. 1 was not germane to the body of the resolution.

POINT OF ORDER RULING

The President ruled that the point of order was well-taken and sustained.

Senator Estes offered the following amendment to the resolution:

Floor Amendment No. 2

Amend **SJR 13** (senate committee report) as follows:

(1) Add the following appropriately numbered SECTION to the resolution and renumber subsequent SECTIONS accordingly:

SECTION ____ . Article III, Texas Constitution, is amended by adding Section 7a to read as follows:

Sec. 7a. (a) A person who has been elected to serve two consecutive terms as a senator or two consecutive terms as a representative is not eligible for election to serve a third consecutive term. This provision does not limit a person's eligibility for election to serve nonconsecutive terms.

(b) The term of a person elected to serve for the remainder of a term to fill a vacancy in the legislature is not counted in determining whether a person is eligible to serve under Subsection (a) of this section.

(2) In SECTION 2 of the resolution, in Subsection (a) of the TEMPORARY PROVISION (page 1, line 45), between "state offices" and the period, insert "or may be elected to serve as a member of the legislature".

(3) In SECTION 2 of the resolution, immediately following Subsection (b) of the TEMPORARY PROVISION (page 1, between lines 48-49), insert the following:

(c) Section 7a, Article III, of this constitution applies only to a senator or a representative elected on or after September 1, 2013.

(4) In SECTION 2 of the resolution, in proposed Subsection (c) of the TEMPORARY PROVISION (page 1, line 49), strike "(c)" and substitute "(d)".

(5) In SECTION 3 of the resolution, in the ballot proposition, (page 1, line 58), between "railroad commissioner" and the period, insert "or may be elected to serve as a member of the legislature".

The amendment to **SJR 13** was read.

Senator Estes withdrew Floor Amendment No. 2.

SJR 13 was passed to engrossment by a viva voce vote.

All Members are deemed to have voted "Yea" on the passage to engrossment except as follows:

Nays: Birdwell, Estes, Hegar, Williams.

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 13 ON THIRD READING

Senator Eltife moved that Senate Rule 7.18 and the Constitutional Rule requiring bills to be read on three several days be suspended and that **SJR 13** be placed on its third reading and final passage.

The motion prevailed by the following vote: Yeas 27, Nays 4.

Yeas: Campbell, Carona, Davis, Deuell, Duncan, Ellis, Eltife, Fraser, Garcia, Hancock, Hinojosa, Huffman, Lucio, Nelson, Nichols, Patrick, Paxton, Rodríguez, Schwertner, Seliger, Taylor, Uresti, Van de Putte, Watson, West, Whitmire, Zaffirini.

Nays: Birdwell, Estes, Hegar, Williams.

The resolution was read third time and was passed by the following vote: Yeas 27, Nays 4. (Same as previous roll call)

REASON FOR VOTE

Senator Williams submitted the following reason for vote on **SJR 13**:

I do not support term limits for statewide officeholders only.

WILLIAMS

COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE

SENATE BILL 330 ON SECOND READING

On motion of Senator Huffman and by unanimous consent, the regular order of business was suspended to take up for consideration **CSSB 330** at this time on its second reading:

CSSB 330, Relating to certain information to which a social study evaluator is entitled in a suit affecting the parent-child relationship; providing a criminal penalty.

The bill was read second time and was passed to engrossment by a viva voce vote.

All Members are deemed to have voted "Yea" on the passage to engrossment.

COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE

SENATE BILL 330 ON THIRD READING

Senator Huffman moved that Senate Rule 7.18 and the Constitutional Rule requiring bills to be read on three several days be suspended and that **CSSB 330** be placed on its third reading and final passage.

The motion prevailed by the following vote: Yeas 31, Nays 0.

The bill was read third time and was passed by the following vote: Yeas 31, Nays 0.

SENATE BILL 160 ON SECOND READING

On motion of Senator Huffman and by unanimous consent, the regular order of business was suspended to take up for consideration **SB 160** at this time on its second reading:

SB 160, Relating to the identification of a person as an election poll watcher.

The bill was read second time.

Senator Huffman offered the following amendment to the bill:

Floor Amendment No. 1

Amend **SB 160** (senate committee report) by striking all below the enacting clause and substituting the following:

SECTION 1. Section 33.051, Election Code, is amended by adding Subsection (f) to read as follows:

(f) On accepting a watcher for service, the election officer shall provide the watcher with a form of identification, prescribed by the secretary of state, to be displayed by the watcher during the watcher's hours of service at the polling place.

SECTION 2. This Act takes effect September 1, 2013.

The amendment to **SB 160** was read and was adopted by a viva voce vote.

All Members are deemed to have voted "Yea" on the adoption of Floor Amendment No. 1.

On motion of Senator Huffman and by unanimous consent, the caption was amended to conform to the body of the bill as amended.

SB 160 as amended was passed to engrossment by a viva voce vote.

All Members are deemed to have voted "Yea" on the passage to engrossment.

SENATE BILL 160 ON THIRD READING

Senator Huffman moved that Senate Rule 7.18 and the Constitutional Rule requiring bills to be read on three several days be suspended and that **SB 160** be placed on its third reading and final passage.

The motion prevailed by the following vote: Yeas 31, Nays 0.

The bill was read third time and was passed by the following vote: Yeas 31, Nays 0.

SENATE RULE 11.13 SUSPENDED
(Consideration of Bills in Committees)
(Motion In Writing)

Senator Eltife submitted a Motion In Writing to suspend Senate Rule 11.13 to grant all committees permission to meet while the Senate was meeting today.

The Motion In Writing prevailed without objection.

SENATE RULE 7.07(b) SUSPENDED
(Permission to Introduce)
(Motion In Writing)

Senator Whitmire submitted a Motion In Writing to suspend Senate Rule 7.07(b) to permit the introduction of the following bills: **SB 10**, **SB 1817**, **SB 1818**, **SB 1819**.

The Motion In Writing prevailed without objection.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON NOMINATIONS

Senator Hegar submitted the following report from the Committee on Nominations:

We, your Committee on Nominations, to which were referred the following appointments, have had same under consideration and report them back to the Senate with a recommendation that they be confirmed:

Members, Commission on Human Rights: Thomas M. Anderson, Fort Bend County; Danny Lee Osterhout, Andrews County.

Commissioners, Jefferson and Orange County Board of Pilot Commissioners: Martin Eloi Broussard, Jefferson County; George Washington Brown, Jefferson County; Gerald Raymond Callas, Jefferson County; Russell S. Covington, Orange County; James Scott, Jefferson County.

Public Counsel, Office of Injured Employee Counsel: Norman Wayne Darwin, Tarrant County.

Members, School Land Board: David S. Herrmann, Bexar County; Thomas Vernon Orr, Harris County.

Members, Board of Directors, Texas Economic Development Corporation: James Bruce Bugg, Bexar County; Robert Franco, Travis County.

Members, Board of Regents, Texas Woman's University: Anna Maria Farias, Cameron County; Nancy Painter Paup, Tarrant County; George Robert Schrader, Collin County.

Members, Texas Workforce Commission: Andres Alcantar, Travis County; Esperanza Andrade, Bexar County.

NOTICE OF CONSIDERATION OF NOMINATIONS

Senator Hegar gave notice that he would tomorrow submit to the Senate for consideration nominations to agencies, boards, and commissions of the state.

SENATE RULE 11.10(a) SUSPENDED (Public Notice of Committee Meetings)

On motion of Senator Carona and by unanimous consent, Senate Rule 11.10(a) was suspended in order that the Committee on Business and Commerce might meet today.

MOTION TO ADJOURN

On motion of Senator Whitmire and by unanimous consent, the Senate at 1:06 p.m. agreed to adjourn, in memory of Raymond Paul Harle, upon completion of the introduction of bills and resolutions on first reading, until 11:00 a.m. tomorrow.

SENATE BILLS ON FIRST READING

The following bills, filed on or before Friday, March 8, 2013, were introduced, read first time, and referred to the committees indicated:

SB 1383 by Hancock

Relating to requiring municipalities to provide compensation for certain signs required to be relocated due to road construction.

To Committee on Intergovernmental Relations.

SB 1501 by Rodríguez

Relating to the allocation of state revenue used to provide financial assistance to political subdivisions for water supply projects.

To Committee on Natural Resources.

SB 1502 by Lucio

Relating to providing parents with notice of a school district's promotion and retention policies.

To Committee on Education.

SB 1503 by Lucio

Relating to the licensing and regulation of amusement redemption machines at certain locations; providing penalties.

To Committee on State Affairs.

SB 1504 by Lucio

Relating to the imposition of the sales and use tax on taxable items sold or provided under certain contracts.

To Committee on Finance.

SB 1505 by Schwertner

Relating to the frequency of the release of questions and answer keys to state assessment instruments administered in public schools.

To Committee on Education.

SB 1506 by Schwertner

Relating to fire safety inspections.

To Committee on Business and Commerce.

SB 1507 by Ellis

Relating to the eligibility of certain persons younger than 18 years of age to preregister to vote.

To Committee on State Affairs.

SB 1508 by Hegar

Relating to the rendition of certain property.

To Committee on Finance.

SB 1509 by Seliger

Relating to college readiness and success.

To Committee on Higher Education.

SB 1510 by Hinojosa

Relating to the public notice required to be provided by certain taxing units before adopting an ad valorem tax rate.

To Committee on Finance.

SB 1511 by Ellis

Relating to appraisal of land that is available to the public.
To Committee on Finance.

SB 1512 by Ellis

Relating to the confidentiality of certain crime scene photographs and video recordings; providing a criminal penalty.
To Committee on Open Government.

SB 1513 by Ellis

Relating to the interlocutory appeal of a denial of a motion to dismiss in an action involving the exercise of certain constitutional rights.
To Committee on State Affairs.

SB 1514 by Ellis

Relating to a correction, clarification, or retraction of incorrect information published.
To Committee on State Affairs.

SB 1515 by Ellis

Relating to the operation of a motor vehicle in the vicinity of an unprotected road user; providing penalties.
To Committee on Transportation.

SB 1516 by West

Relating to the on-premises consumption of certain alcoholic beverages; providing a penalty and authorizing a fee.
To Committee on Business and Commerce.

SB 1517 by Van de Putte

Relating to the placement of a child in disciplinary seclusion in a juvenile facility.
To Committee on Criminal Justice.

SB 1518 by Van de Putte

Relating to the computation of the franchise tax by a taxable entity engaged in Internet hosting.
To Committee on Finance.

SB 1519 by Van de Putte

Relating to educational materials on pardons for victims of trafficking of persons.
To Committee on Criminal Justice.

SB 1520 by Van de Putte

Relating to the assessment of juveniles who are victims of sex trafficking.
To Committee on Criminal Justice.

SB 1521 by Davis

Relating to an allotment under the public school finance system for dropout prevention.
To Committee on Education.

SB 1522 by Hegar

Relating to the responsibility of the county to hold certain persons in county jail before a return or transfer of the person to the Texas Department of Criminal Justice.
To Committee on Criminal Justice.

SB 1523 by Hegar

Relating to changing the amount of the application fee for a certificate of registration as a private professional guardian.
To Committee on Jurisprudence.

SB 1524 by Seliger

Relating to the composition of districts for the election of members of the Texas Legislature and the United States House of Representatives from Texas.
To Committee on State Affairs.

SB 1525 by Zaffirini

Relating to including disability awareness training in risk management programs required for members and advisors of student organizations at postsecondary educational institutions.
To Committee on Higher Education.

SB 1526 by Ellis

Relating to criminal history background checks in connection with firearm transfers; creating offenses.
To Committee on Criminal Justice.

SB 1527 by Ellis

Relating to the creation of certain offenses concerning firearm sales at gun shows.
To Committee on Agriculture, Rural Affairs and Homeland Security.

SB 1528 by Hinojosa

Relating to identification and implementation of hospital funding solutions related to the Medicaid program.
To Committee on Health and Human Services.

SB 1529 by West

Relating to an exemption from property taxation for certain facilities that convert landfill generated methane into renewable natural gas.
To Committee on Finance.

SB 1530 by Seliger

Relating to the admission of undergraduate students to public institutions of higher education.
To Committee on Higher Education.

SB 1531 by Seliger

Relating to providing information to entering undergraduate students at general academic teaching institutions to promote timely graduation.
To Committee on Higher Education.

SB 1532 by Zaffirini

Relating to the power of the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality to authorize certain injection wells that transect or terminate in the Edwards Aquifer.

To Committee on Natural Resources.

SB 1533 by Carona

Relating to municipal sales and use tax remittances by certain retailers.

To Committee on Finance.

SB 1534 by Ellis

Relating to the automatic recurring payment of State Bar of Texas membership and additional fees.

To Committee on Jurisprudence.

SB 1535 by West

Relating to increased oversight by the Department of State Health Services of hospitals that commit certain violations.

To Committee on Health and Human Services.

SB 1536 by Van de Putte

Relating to the Texas military; imposing criminal penalties; authorizing fees.

To Committee on Veteran Affairs and Military Installations.

SB 1537 by Deuell

Relating to certain required notices under the Texas Unemployment Compensation Act, including employer liability arising from failure to provide the notice.

To Committee on Economic Development.

SB 1538 by Van de Putte, Lucio

Relating to evaluating the performance, including computing dropout and completion rates, of public schools, including schools designated as dropout recovery schools and residential facilities.

To Committee on Education.

SB 1539 by Van de Putte

Relating to professional development training for certain public school personnel regarding student disciplinary procedures.

To Committee on Education.

SB 1540 by Van de Putte

Relating to the establishment of the disaster identification system for a state of disaster.

To Committee on Agriculture, Rural Affairs and Homeland Security.

SB 1541 by Van de Putte

Relating to discipline of public school students by school bus drivers.

To Committee on Education.

SB 1542 by Van de Putte

Relating to clinical initiatives to improve the quality of care and cost-effectiveness of the Medicaid program.

To Committee on Health and Human Services.

SB 1544 by Van de Putte

Relating to payment of and disclosures related to certain ambulatory surgical center charges.

To Committee on State Affairs.

SB 1545 by Van de Putte

Relating to preregistration for participants in a political party's precinct conventions.

To Committee on State Affairs.

SB 1546 by Eltife

Relating to the management and use of the Texas preservation trust fund.

To Committee on Government Organization.

SB 1547 by Van de Putte

Relating to requiring the holders of certain alcoholic beverage permits and licenses to sell certain nonalcoholic beverages.

To Committee on Business and Commerce.

SB 1548 by Eltife

Relating to the definition of "qualified employee" in an enterprise zone.

To Committee on Economic Development.

SB 1549 by Lucio

Relating to pre-event disaster recovery program administration contracts in certain counties.

To Committee on Agriculture, Rural Affairs and Homeland Security.

SB 1550 by Lucio

Relating to the amount and payment of attorney's fees in certain workers' compensation cases.

To Committee on State Affairs.

SB 1551 by Lucio

Relating to the provision of affordable housing and other services in the Lower Rio Grande Valley.

To Committee on Intergovernmental Relations.

SB 1553 by Lucio, Van de Putte

Relating to the Homes for Texas Heroes home loan program.

To Committee on Veteran Affairs and Military Installations.

SB 1554 by Lucio

Relating to the establishment of a matching grant program for rural economic development.

To Committee on Agriculture, Rural Affairs and Homeland Security.

SB 1555 by Lucio

Relating to requirements for state educator certification examinations.

To Committee on Education.

SB 1556 by Seliger

Relating to the establishment of the School Safety Advisory Council and School Safety Certification Program.

To Committee on Education.

SB 1557 by Lucio, Seliger, Van de Putte

Relating to business participation in supporting early college high schools.

To Committee on Education.

SB 1558 by Taylor

Relating to the sale of event tickets.

To Committee on Business and Commerce.

SB 1559 by Lucio

Relating to collection of fees for solid waste management in certain counties.

To Committee on Intergovernmental Relations.

SB 1560 by Taylor

Relating to easements used for dune construction and maintenance projects.

To Committee on Natural Resources.

SB 1561 by Taylor

Relating to the determination of the boundaries of, and the enforcement of the law governing access to, public beaches.

To Committee on Natural Resources.

SB 1562 by Ellis

Relating to the applicability of the public information law to certain nongovernmental entities involved in law enforcement and corrections.

To Committee on Open Government.

SB 1563 by Ellis

Relating to the definition of and access to public information.

To Committee on Open Government.

SB 1564 by Ellis

Relating to an increase in the cigarette tax to fund the child health plan program.

To Committee on Finance.

SB 1565 by Davis

Relating to the office of public insurance counsel's ability to initiate a hearing on insurance rates or rate filings.

To Committee on Business and Commerce.

SB 1566 by Davis

Relating to the use by insurers of a standard residential property insurance policy form.

To Committee on Business and Commerce.

SB 1567 by Davis

Relating to coverage of certain persons under an automobile insurance policy.

To Committee on Business and Commerce.

SB 1568 by Davis

Relating to the minimum required term for personal automobile insurance policies used to demonstrate proof of financial responsibility.

To Committee on Business and Commerce.

SB 1569 by Hinojosa

Relating to a municipality's comprehensive plan.

To Committee on Intergovernmental Relations.

SB 1570 by Patrick

Relating to consideration of a bidder's principal place of business by public junior college districts in awarding certain contracts.

To Committee on Higher Education.

SB 1571 by Patrick

Relating to home-rule school district charters and to the applicability of certain laws and procedures to those districts.

To Committee on Education.

SB 1572 by Patrick

Relating to the character of and citation to enacted legislation.

To Committee on State Affairs.

SB 1573 by Patrick

Relating to the amount of money authorized to be used for Clean Air Act local initiative projects related to vehicles.

To Committee on Natural Resources.

SB 1574 by Lucio

Relating to the authority of certain counties and the General Land Office to temporarily close a beach or a beach access point.

To Committee on Natural Resources.

SB 1575 by Campbell, Paxton

Relating to state savings and government efficiency through a taxpayer savings grant program.

To Committee on Education.

SB 1576 by Zaffirini

Relating to a study and report of issues affecting persons with disabilities at state agencies and postsecondary educational institutions.

To Committee on Health and Human Services.

SB 1578 by Duncan

Relating to the calculation of a service retirement annuity for certain members of the elected class.

To Committee on State Affairs.

SB 1579 by Taylor

Relating to the appointment of a watermaster for the Brazos River Basin.

To Committee on Natural Resources.

SB 1580 by Hinojosa

Relating to an exemption from the franchise tax for certain political subdivision corporations.

To Committee on Finance.

SB 1581 by Hinojosa

Relating to the regulation of secondary market transactions related to the business of life settlements; providing penalties; authorizing fees.

To Committee on Business and Commerce.

SB 1582 by Ellis

Relating to automatic voter registration on issuance or change of a driver's license or identification card by the Department of Public Safety.

To Committee on State Affairs.

SB 1583 by Ellis

Relating to extending the court's jurisdiction in a suit affecting the parent-child relationship over certain young people for purposes of obtaining special immigrant juvenile status and Department of Family and Protective Services policies for handling cases involving those young people.

To Committee on Jurisprudence.

SB 1584 by Rodríguez

Relating to the validation of the dissolution of the Development Corporation of Presidio and the creation of the Presidio Municipal Development District.

To Committee on Economic Development.

SB 1585 by Rodríguez

Relating to the authority of certain counties to impose a hotel occupancy tax for the operation and maintenance of a fairground, county barn, and county park in the county.

To Committee on Economic Development.

SB 1586 by Rodríguez

Relating to the definition of distributed renewable generation for certain generation systems installed on publicly owned land.

To Committee on Business and Commerce.

SB 1587 by Zaffirini

Relating to establishment of the Texas Early Learning Council.

To Committee on Education.

SB 1588 by Zaffirini

Relating to the regulation of child-care providers by the Texas Workforce Commission and local workforce development boards.

To Committee on Health and Human Services.

SB 1589 by Zaffirini

Relating to assistance and education regarding personal finance for certain children in foster care.

To Committee on Health and Human Services.

SB 1590 by Zaffirini

Relating to requirements for personal financial literacy training offered by public school districts and public universities.

To Committee on Higher Education.

SB 1591 by Zaffirini

Relating to the emergency detention of persons with mental illness.

To Committee on Health and Human Services.

SB 1592 by Zaffirini

Relating to a peace officer's determination whether medical services are needed for persons apprehended for emergency detention.

To Committee on Criminal Justice.

SB 1593 by Zaffirini

Relating to a standard form of notification for the detention of a person with mental illness.

To Committee on Health and Human Services.

SB 1594 by Zaffirini

Relating to the criteria for commitment of a person with mental illness.

To Committee on Health and Human Services.

SB 1595 by Zaffirini

Relating to the nature of delivery of services to a person with mental illness.

To Committee on Health and Human Services.

SB 1596 by Zaffirini

Relating to the annexation by a municipality of territory of an emergency services district.

To Committee on Intergovernmental Relations.

SB 1597 by Zaffirini

Relating to the development of state agency information security plans.

To Committee on Government Organization.

SB 1598 by Zaffirini

Relating to the authority of the chief appraiser of an appraisal district or a representative of the chief appraiser to enter the premises of a business, trade, or profession for ad valorem tax appraisal purposes.

To Committee on Finance.

SB 1599 by Zaffirini

Relating to county and municipal land development regulation.

To Committee on Intergovernmental Relations.

SB 1600 by Zaffirini

Relating to authorizing the county clerk in certain counties to conduct a marriage ceremony and collect a related fee.

To Committee on Jurisprudence.

SB 1820 by Hegar

Relating to the creation of Waller County Improvement District No. 1; providing authority to impose an assessment, impose a tax, and issue bonds.

To Committee on Intergovernmental Relations.

SB 1821 by Hegar

Relating to the creation of Waller County Improvement District No. 2; providing authority to impose an assessment, impose a tax, and issue bonds.

To Committee on Intergovernmental Relations.

SB 1822 by Hegar

Relating to the name and powers and duties of the Port O'Connor Municipal Utility District; providing authority to impose a sales and use tax.

To Committee on Intergovernmental Relations.

SB 1823 by Hegar

Relating to the administration, powers, and duties of the Fort Bend Municipal Utility District No. 134.

To Committee on Intergovernmental Relations.

SB 1824 by Hegar

Relating to the powers of the Fort Bend County Municipal Utility District No. 188, including powers related to the construction, operation, and financing of roads; providing authority to issue bonds and impose a tax.

To Committee on Intergovernmental Relations.

SENATE BILLS ON FIRST READING

The following bills were introduced, read first time, and referred to the committees indicated:

SB 10 by Van de Putte

Relating to employment, higher education, and state purchasing programs for veterans.

To Committee on Veteran Affairs and Military Installations.

SB 1817 by Lucio

Relating to municipally owned utility systems.

To Committee on Natural Resources.

SB 1818 by Lucio

Relating to the creation of a statutory probate court in Cameron County.

To Committee on Jurisprudence.

SB 1819 by Deuell

Relating to the location of a sand mine; authorizing an administrative penalty.

To Committee on Natural Resources.

CO-AUTHOR OF SENATE BILL 59

On motion of Senator Nelson, Senator Paxton will be shown as Co-author of **SB 59**.

CO-AUTHOR OF SENATE BILL 92

On motion of Senator Van de Putte, Senator Paxton will be shown as Co-author of **SB 92**.

CO-AUTHORS OF SENATE BILL 129

On motion of Senator Nelson, Senators Garcia and Paxton will be shown as Co-authors of **SB 129**.

CO-AUTHOR OF SENATE BILL 130

On motion of Senator Nelson, Senator Garcia will be shown as Co-author of **SB 130**.

CO-AUTHOR OF SENATE BILL 237

On motion of Senator Van de Putte, Senator Davis will be shown as Co-author of **SB 237**.

CO-AUTHOR OF SENATE BILL 771

On motion of Senator Uresti, Senator Nelson will be shown as Co-author of **SB 771**.

CO-AUTHOR OF SENATE BILL 922

On motion of Senator Birdwell, Senator Eltife will be shown as Co-author of **SB 922**.

CO-AUTHOR OF SENATE BILL 1111

On motion of Senator Duncan, Senator Fraser will be shown as Co-author of **SB 1111**.

CO-AUTHOR OF SENATE BILL 1240

On motion of Senator Duncan, Senator Watson will be shown as Co-author of **SB 1240**.

CO-AUTHOR OF SENATE BILL 1639

On motion of Senator Carona, Senator Paxton will be shown as Co-author of **SB 1639**.

CO-AUTHORS OF SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 13

On motion of Senator Eltife, Senators Carona, Deuell, Ellis, Nelson, Nichols, Patrick, Schwertner, Van de Putte, and Watson will be shown as Co-authors of **SJR 13**.

CO-AUTHOR OF SENATE RESOLUTION 86

On motion of Senator Huffman, Senator Taylor will be shown as Co-author of **SR 86**.

CO-AUTHOR OF SENATE RESOLUTION 459

On motion of Senator Huffman, Senator Taylor will be shown as Co-author of **SR 459**.

RESOLUTIONS OF RECOGNITION

The following resolutions were adopted by the Senate:

Memorial Resolutions

SR 477 by Van de Putte, In memory of Mary G. Trevino.

SR 489 by Hegar, In memory of Mark Anthony Shepard, Sr.

SR 491 by Fraser, Birdwell, Campbell, Carona, Deuell, Duncan, Eltife, Estes, Hancock, Hegar, Huffman, Nelson, Nichols, Patrick, Paxton, Schwertner, Seliger, Taylor, and Williams, In memory of Deborah "Borah" Van Dormolen.

Congratulatory Resolutions

SR 476 by Van de Putte, Recognizing William B. Caldwell IV for his service to the nation.

SR 478 by Van de Putte, Recognizing Jane Nolasco for being named Social Work Student of the Year.

SR 480 by Van de Putte, Recognizing the 65th Infantry Regiment for its service to the nation.

SR 493 by Ellis, Commending the Azerbaijani Cultural Center in Houston.

SR 494 by Deuell, Recognizing Julia "Judy" Ewell on the occasion of her 90th birthday.

SR 495 by Campbell, Recognizing Wanda Carter on the occasion of her retirement.

SR 498 by Van de Putte, Congratulating Virginia Gregory Van Cleave for her induction into the San Antonio Women's Hall of Fame.

SR 499 by Van de Putte, Congratulating Amita Patnaik for her induction into the San Antonio Women's Hall of Fame.

SR 500 by Van de Putte, Congratulating Kirby Jameson for her induction into the San Antonio Women's Hall of Fame.

SR 501 by Van de Putte, Congratulating Barbara Puckett Todd for her induction into the San Antonio Women's Hall of Fame.

SR 502 by Van de Putte, Congratulating Charley Sharon Chumley for her induction into the San Antonio Women's Hall of Fame.

SR 503 by Van de Putte, Congratulating Lupe G. Ochoa for her induction into the San Antonio Women's Hall of Fame.

SR 504 by Van de Putte, Congratulating Charlotte Ann Travis for her induction into the San Antonio Women's Hall of Fame.

SR 505 by Van de Putte, Congratulating Gogi Dickson for her induction into the San Antonio Women's Hall of Fame.

SR 506 by Van de Putte, Congratulating Lyda C. Arévalo-Flechas for her induction into the San Antonio Women's Hall of Fame.

SR 507 by Van de Putte, Congratulating Tessa Martinez Pollack for her induction into the San Antonio Women's Hall of Fame.

SR 508 by Van de Putte, Congratulating Arabia Vargas for her induction into the San Antonio Women's Hall of Fame.

SR 509 by Van de Putte, Congratulating Frances A. Gonzalez for her induction into the San Antonio Women's Hall of Fame.

SR 510 by Van de Putte, Congratulating Judith Holdt Markelz for her induction into the San Antonio Women's Hall of Fame.

SR 511 by Van de Putte, Congratulating Karen S. Rankin for her induction into the San Antonio Women's Hall of Fame.

SR 512 by Birdwell and Eltife, Recognizing Elisabeth Guldmann Brannon on the occasion of her 100th birthday.

Official Designation Resolution

SR 496 by Nelson, Recognizing March 27, 2013, as Fast Growth School Day at the Capitol.

(Senator Nelson in Chair)

ADJOURNMENT

Pursuant to a previously adopted motion, the Senate at 1:30 p.m. adjourned, in memory of Raymond Paul Harle, until 11:00 a.m. tomorrow.

APPENDIX

BILLS ENGROSSED

March 18, 2013

SB 198, SB 223, SB 276

RESOLUTIONS ENROLLED

March 18, 2013

SCR 29, SR 423, SR 424, SR 433, SR 463, SR 464, SR 465, SR 466, SR 467, SR 468, SR 470, SR 471, SR 473, SR 474, SR 475, SR 479, SR 481, SR 482, SR 483

SENT TO SECRETARY OF STATE

March 19, 2013

SCR 29

In Memory
of
Raymond Paul Harle
Senate Resolution 472

WHEREAS, The Senate of the State of Texas joins the citizens of San Antonio in mourning the loss of Dr. Raymond Paul Harle, who died recently at the age of 85; and

WHEREAS, This exemplary gentleman and dedicated family physician tirelessly attended to the medical needs of his beloved patients for 55 years; and

WHEREAS, An innovative thinker and a talented diagnostician, Dr. Harle was among the first to refer a heart transplant patient to pioneering surgeon Dr. Denton Cooley; the groundbreaking transplant procedure proved successful; and

WHEREAS, Raymond Harle was born in San Antonio and graduated from Saint Mary's University; he received a medical degree from Southwestern Medical School in Dallas and married the love of his life, Dorothy Pitts; he then returned to his beloved San Antonio, where he was noted for treating individuals whether or not they could pay for medical attention; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Harle was an old-school family doctor who took care of generations of family members; he made house calls, performed minor surgeries, and always found time for hospital rounds, even after a full day at his office; Dr. Harle received a Lifetime Achievement Award from the Bexar County Medical Society in honor of his outstanding accomplishments as a physician; and

WHEREAS, He was devoted to his wife, sons, and grandchildren and was a true servant of the community and a caregiver of uncommon dedication; Dr. Harle will long be remembered for his generosity of spirit and for his warmth, wisdom, and devotion to his fellow man; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Senate of the State of Texas, 83rd Legislature, hereby extend sincere condolences to the bereaved family of Dr. Raymond Paul Harle; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution be prepared for his family as an expression of deepest sympathy from the Texas Senate, and that when the Senate adjourns this day, it do so in memory of Raymond Harle.

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